

# Niff and the fire beast

Before Finland was colonised it was a never ending plain of ice and snow. That was before the first great leader of Finland, Niff, colonised the rocky mountains. This is how he did it. One cold morning, Niff was wandering in the mountains, as was his custom. He was freezing cold and knew he would die if he did not warm himself. So, he prayed to the great Atom but instead of giving him warmth, the atom gave him a seed. Niff cursed and carried on trudging through the thick snow. Suddenly, he stepped in a puddle and felt heat radiate up his leg. He was so surprised that he dropped the seed. Out of the seed leapt a great fire beast which turned all the snow to water and created a sea. Then the beast disappeared in a burst of flame. And from then on the Finnish had heat from the beast's ever-burning fires.

